CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2004/05 BUDGET

AGENCY 42 SEWERAGE

MISSION

The Detroit Water & Sewerage Department (DWSD) will exceed our customers' expectations through the innovative treatment and transmission of water and wastewater that promote healthy communities and economic growth.

DESCRIPTION

The Sewerage Disposal System is administratively part of DWSD, but maintained as a separate Fund in the City of Detroit Accounting System. DWSD operates one wastewater treatment plant which is located at 9300 W. Jefferson. This facility serves approximately 2.9 million people in Detroit and seventy-seven other communities in southeastern Michigan. DWSD's sewer system originated in 1836, and today consists of 14 pump stations, three storm water detention basins and a total of 3,000 miles of sewer lines that carry rainwater and wastewater to the Wastewater Treatment Plant – the largest single-site wastewater treatment facility in the country.

The Sewerage Disposal System's primary role is to convey and treat the sanitary and combined sewage collected throughout the service area in accordance with applicable service agreements so that the public health is protected and the treated effluent discharged to the Detroit River is in compliance with the limits established by the Department's National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Permit and other applicable laws, rules and regulations imposed by the Federal Court, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Wayne County, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the Division of Public Health regarding wastewater, air pollution and solid waste disposal.

The plant has the capacity to treat sanitary sewerage of a maximum flow of 859 million gallons per day (mgd) and a capacity to treat up to 1,520 mgd of a combination of sanitary and storm flow while consistently meeting or exceeding permit requirements for effluent quality. The plant also produces approximately 1,000,000 wet tons of wastewater residuals each year which are either incinerated in compliance with applicable air pollution control laws or transported to commercially operated landfills in western Wayne and Macomb Counties.

GOALS

- 1. To implement the policies of the Board, Charter requirements and Federal mandates for supplying water and sewerage services.
- 2. To provide an adequate level of trained personnel to operate the water and sewerage systems.
- 3. To inform the public of agency operations, especially with regard to sewerage operations.
- 4. To obtain timely approvals of grant amendments and/or loan applications from State and Federal agencies.

DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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	<u>FUND</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	
EXPENDITURES	\$730,409,600		\$730,409,600	
REVENUES	730,409,600		730,409,600	
NET TAX COST	\$	0	\$	0
POSITIONS		1,302		1,302

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